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THE POSTOFFICE HUNT.—The several candidates for the Ypsilanti post-office are just now on the ragged edge of uncertainty. Mr. Bogardus, Mr. Cremer, Chas. Woodard and Chas. Woodruff are on the list, and some other names have been urged by friends. The commission of the present postmaster expires next Saturday, but in the conflict of interests it is not probable that the appointment may be deferred beyond that date.

BURGLARY.—Early Sunday morning Mr. Charles Perrin was seen emerging from Mr. Haskin's bakery, and was subsequently arrested by Constable Hutchinson. Two or three boxes of cigars and a mince pie constituted the bulk of the plunder. He was on examination bound over to court and in default of bail was sent to jail to await trial. He has spent one term in Ionia, for assault, and being an able bodied man can evidently serve the state better than this community.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Mr. A. P. Bucklin slipped and fell upon the ice walk at the corner of Congress and Huron streets, Saturday evening, crushing his hip and shocking his system so severely that it is feared he may not recover.

Mrs. E. R. Skinner also slipped upon the sidewalk, Sunday, and fractured her wrist.

On the same day, a lad named Price, living two miles south of town, slipped against a barn door, which fell upon him, breaking his leg in two places.

A BURNED BOARDING HOUSE.—The boarding house known as the East Side Hotel on River street was discovered to be on fire last Monday morning, and before assistance could be obtained had made such headway as to defy the efforts of the fire department to extinguish it till the entire roof and upper story were ruined. The property was owned by the Mott heirs, and occupied by Mr. M. N. Burgess. Insured for \$800, in the Niagara Company. The furniture was saved but somewhat damaged.

BUSINESS CHANGE.—The well-known grocery firm of C. K. King & Son, the new year, who has been in the John G. King firm for the last fourteen years, becomes a partner, and the firm becomes C. King & Co., composed of Chas. King, Geo. E. King, and John G. Lamb. The house is one of the landmarks of Ypsilanti's business community. Before 1840, Chas. King served in the store of his father, Geo. R. King, and in 1847 he became a partner and the firm was Geo. R. King & Son. After the father's death, Chas. King and his mother composed the firm of C. King & Co., succeeded by C. King, then a brother came into the business and it was C. & E. King; then C. King, again; and then, in 1871, the handsome and affable Chas. E. went into business with his father, and the firm of C. King & Son has weathered the gales of thirteen years. All of the time it has been the King grocery store in two or three senses and in all the moods and tenses, and is one of our most solid and reliable business institutions.

Close the Gambling Resorts.—It is currently reported and generally believed that a gambling hole has been recently opened in a prominent part of this city. If this be true, it is proper to ask those who are in authority, how long they intend to allow it to remain unmolested. There is certainly great remissness in duty, if such places are allowed in our midst, to the ruin of young men and boys, and it may as well be understood at once, that the Ypsilantian will not keep silent while such sacred interests among the young of the community are jeopardized. There are men who are specially entrusted with these interests, and just indignation is already expressed that such gateways to perdition are not closed. Public sentiment demands that speedy action be taken, and the city be cleansed of such iniquitous resorts.

Books at Auction.—We wish to call the attention of our citizens to the great sale of books at auction and private sale by order of creditors in store in Arcade Block. The stock is large and contains everything in science, literature and art. We respectfully invite the citizens of the city to call and examine them during the day—sale positive. This a rare opportunity to secure good books at your own prices. Sale one week only, auction every evening and private sale during the day—by order of trustees.

The finest assortment of box writing paper, tablets, calling, invitation and regret cards in the city at the new jewelry and stationery store, Huron St. E. L. HOGAN.

### A Local Option Convention.

A mass convention is called to meet at the court house in Ann Arbor, next Saturday at 11 o'clock, to organize a campaign for local option in this county. The law requires a petition signed by not less than one fifth of the voters in the county as shown by the last vote for Governor, before an election can be called, and upon the filing of such petition the County Clerk must call an election, to be held within forty days, but it must not be held in any month in which another election occurs; and the question cannot be again submitted within three years. The last vote for Governor in this county was 9,160, and therefore 1,832 voters must sign a petition. There would, of course, be no difficulty in securing that number, and many are sanguine that the measure would carry at the polls.

At the election last spring, the county cast 4,110 votes for the prohibition amendment, and 4,999 against, showing an adverse majority of 889, or 91 per cent. of the whole vote. In the ten counties that have so far voted under local option the total vote has been three fourths as large as that cast upon the amendment in the same counties last spring; and at that rate the vote in this county would be 6,822, and the same proportion of last spring's adverse majority would be 667. The majorities for prohibition last spring in the ten counties that have voted under local option were 37 per cent. of their whole vote, and their majorities for prohibition now, though 800 less than then, are 47 per cent. of the vote cast. That is a gain in the relative majorities of 27 per cent., and a like gain upon the 91 per cent. adverse majority here would still leave an anti-prohibition majority of over 7 per cent., or 485 on the assumed three-fourths vote.

Barry county has raised her prohibition majority from 23 per cent. of the vote last spring to 47 per cent. now—a gain of about 105 per cent. in relative majority, and the same rate of gain here would extinguish the adverse majority and leave a prohibition majority of 98 in the county, on the assumption of a vote three fourths as large as that cast last spring. Grand Traverse county gained 41 per cent. in relative majority, Antrim gained 72 per cent., Van Buren and Hillsdale gained each 19 per cent., Branch gained 20 per cent., Isabella gained 25 per cent., Genie gained 53 per cent., and Joseph lost in relative as well as actual majority. Thus only Barry and the small county of Leelanaw, which changed an adverse majority of 42 to a favorable majority of 53, now a gain such as would be necessary to carry prohibition in Washtenaw. Those who would favor the measure must judge for themselves whether the probability justifies the effort at this time.

Petitions were offered here yesterday, and long lists of names are already attached.

### Obituary.

Mrs. Dr. N. Webb, one of the pioneers of this region, died at her home in Pittsfield, Tuesday evening, Jan. 3. She would have reached her 73d birthday, next month. She had been almost helpless from paralysis for over a year, and had been unconscious since last Saturday. Deceased was the mother of H. H. and J. H. Webb and Mrs. Dr. Owen, of this city, Mrs. Norman Redner of Augusta, and Mrs. Case of Canandaigua, N. Y. The burial occurs from the residence in Pittsfield, to-morrow (Friday).

Mrs. Amanda Piersons Judd died on the 26th ult., at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. S. S. Clark. Born in Wells, Rutland Co., Vermont, in the year 1797, she had reached the rare old age of four score years and ten. At her ninetieth birthday, the second of last July, her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, gathered to bring glad congratulations, found her enjoying to a remarkable degree the blessings of health and reason and religion. Married in 1817, Captain and Mrs. Judd settled, in 1831, in the town of York, among the oldest pioneers of Washtenaw county. Three of their six children now live in Ypsilanti, Mrs. S. S. Clark, Mrs. L. A. Seeley, Mrs. L. Kanouse. In 1823, Mrs. Judd united with the Baptist church and was a faithful, consistent Christian, these many years. Her last days were characterized by a quiet trust in her Redeemer. Patiently, uncomplainingly, she waited till God should call her home; the end was peace.

Friday, Dec. 30, of consumption, O. W. Titus, son of Charles Titus of this city, aged 24 years. He leaves a wife and one child.

Tuesday, Jan. 3, Mrs. Julia E. Watrous, wife of Arthur Watrous. Her home was east of Spencer's school house.

During January E. M. Comstock & Co. will sell their entire stock of carpets at cost for cash to make room for Brussels and Ingrains next spring.

People who are indebted to us are requested to call and settle at once as we shall soon dissolve partnership and must have our accounts settled.

BARNUM & EARL.  
Our drawing of oil paintings will take place Monday, Jan. 16, at 8 p. m.

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See union seed advertisement of Geo. W. Hill, Detroit.

### The New Year.

1888. The new date is certainly an improvement. It can be written easily and is agreeable to the eye. The movement is sustained to the finish and in writing it there is no need to concentrate attention on the last figure. The old date was jerky. It started all right, but the easy gliding motion of the 8's brought up as in a collision. Sometimes the result was 9, sometimes an abortive 3, or something between these numbers. But it isn't nice to talk about the absent, and we can justify the breach of manners only on the ground of making the new date feel comfortable, and at home, the usual justification, we believe.

We welcome the new date. It starts with a straight line, mathematically a right line. Everybody does the same at the opening of the new year. The old date better represents the finish, probably, but the new may be a prophecy of greater wisdom this year. It comes to the end as smoothly as the night breaks into the dawn. It is a pleasure to repeat it. It can be sung as easily as the "ante ante over" of our childhood. In it, are all the requisites of a first class college song, "Updee Upida," can now be laid on the shelf. This date strikes the eye as the graphic representation of a musical tone, and is so much like "eat," that it will probably become, in college a banquet call.

Then too, it is divisible by 4, not 3, like the old one, which was always odd. Herein it makes its bow to the girls, and suggests enlarged privileges. The boys must give up their post of observation now, on the church steps, and be escorted to the service inside. Good enough for them, and withal, profitable. And the old bachelors, they have been looking with anxious gaze for this date, lo, these three years. What a change it brings to them! Hope which had well nigh fled, now brightens, very visage. The one important question which has died so often of their faltering lips, may come now from the other side, and acceptant as so much easier than proposal. Yes, the old bachelor is happy. The lonely, solitary walk, he dreams, is nearly ended. He strikes an expectant attitude at the approach of every fair form and comforting rumors are already in the air.

Leap year. It gives an additional day of grace in which to correct errors, or test the strength of good resolutions. The new date starts with a straight line, and so everybody should follow suit. The first three months, right up to then the three 8's bespeak the remaining nine.

1887 belongs to Solomon who, with sorrow and despair, said, "The crooked cannot be made straight." 1888, to Isaiah who, looking to the future with prophetic eye, declares, "The crooked shall be made straight." Let us hope that for all of us, the date is prophetic of good and that too may prove the fulfillment of the prophecy.

Now comes that irrepressible punster and he writes that we have not even intimated what eighteen eighty eight, after all.

### Renewal of Marriage Vows.

On Saturday afternoon and evening last, there occurred to Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Comstock of this city one of those delightful social events the memory of which lingers as a sweet fragrance, through all the subsequent years.

It was the 25th anniversary of their marriage and closed a quarter of a century, the greater portion of which time they have been residents of this city. Here they have built themselves a beautiful home, and have gathered about them an attractive group of beloved and loving children. From the goodness of their hearts, they have ministered to those in sorrow, and visited those in need. They have been abundant in good deeds both in church and social relations and have thereby won to themselves a wide circle of friends. It was in the spirit of no mere formal observance, but of a day which custom calls to celebrate, but ratifies of a true and cordial friendship and of personal good will, that so many gathered with glad greetings and valuable presents, at the time.

Among the many valuable gifts may be named, a beautiful coffee urn from Mrs. Comstock's brothers and sisters, an elegant water set, from the brothers and sisters of Mr. Comstock; a handsome berry dish and spoon, from their children, and a similar dish from Major Steven's children; a solid silver berry spoon from Jackson friends; a most elegant silk quilt, made by the eldest daughter, Carrie, begun and completed during the year 1887. An original present from husband to wife, of a large picture in beautiful frame, with bride and groom as they appeared just twenty-five years ago, in the upper corners, and in the lower corners as they appear now, with a center consisting of a group of the four children. There were other presents from a sister and friend in Bay City, a gold-headed cane, from wife and a friend.

To crown the whole affair, in the evening, there was a complete surprise from a large number of personal friends from the church of Mr. and Mrs. O's early choice. The gift they brought was a complete silver tea set, which was presented by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Venning, in a few appropriate remarks, which were responded to by Mr. Comstock, very appropriately and feelingly.

To Mr. and Mrs. Comstock and to all the friends, it was a "red letter day."

### Personal.

H. H. Bingham, esq., of Jackson; Maj. W. C. Stevens and family, of Ann Arbor, and Miss Ada Warden, of Green Oak, were among the guests at Mr. and Mrs. Comstock's anniversary.

Charles W. McCorkle is now found with Barnes Bros., Detroit, having entered into business relations with that well known firm. For six years he has been law partner with Congressman Allen and has been abundant in labors, both in business circles and social relations. He still retains the leadership of the Presbyterian choir, which involves his return to Ypsilanti Saturday nights. His presence here even for Sundays will be welcome, and his absence always a matter of regret. Just as we go to press we learn that Mr. McCorkle is detained on account of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Hodge, notice of whose marriage was given last week, departed Tuesday afternoon for their future home at Le Seur, Wisconsin. We have learned from the Le Seur press that Mr. Hodge, or Prof. Hodge, as he is known to the Le Seurites, is now well known to the people of his new home, and they are rightfully proud of him. It is our pleasure to inform them that he has taken unto himself and unto them a wife that deserves to share equally with her husband in their admiration and affection. Mrs. Hodge will prove a very desirable addition to the musical and literary circles of Le Seur and to the attraction of the town generally.

Mr. H. W. Glover bade good bye to Ypsilanti this week, and departed for San Francisco, where he will manage the Pacific Coast department of the dress stay business. Hal has hosts of friends here in his boyhood home, and they all commend him to the confidence of the Californians.

Rev. Dr. Woodruff, well known here, is giving some attention to lecturing, and meeting fine success. The Press, of Clare, Mich., recently had the following notice: Rev. Dr. L. M. Woodruff of East Saginaw delivered the concluding lecture of the course Tuesday evening. His first sentence captured the audience and during the next hour he held their closest attention. His subject, "Fact, Foible and Fancy," was ably handled, the discourse bristling with wit, humor and eloquence, and we hope to have the pleasure and profit of hearing him again.

Mr. Chas. Aultman spent a day or two in town this week. He is employed at his trade at Jackson, and can get around very well with a cane, though he cannot yet forget the treacherous ladder that broke his leg last summer.

Cal Davis of Richmond, Va., son of Jas. H. Davis of this city, is in the business of making canes from timber taken from the battle fields of the war.

Mrs. C. B. Whitman of Ann Arbor spent several days of the present week the guest of friends in this city.

Dr. Justin Post and wife of Muskegon have been visiting the past week, with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Post.

Captain Allen left for his post of duty last Tuesday a. m. Though much better, he is still not fully recovered. Some of his friends fear the effect of the long trip but it takes a great deal to keep the Captain back when the battle is on at the front.

Hon. E. H. Salisbury was seen on our streets Monday. It is thought he was trying to find some one who would consent to take charge of the postoffice.

Geo. H. Heart of Florida remains in this city another week and then returns to his southern home.

Rev. David Fisher, the popular pastor of the Congregational church at Ann Arbor, has been invited to accept the association professorship of sacred literature at Andover Theological Seminary, and is considering its acceptance.

Miss Estelle C. Harter, a Normal graduate of the class of '81, was married at Calumet, Nov. 23, to Mr. J. H. Thompson.

Mrs. John Miller is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Parsons.

The City Council of Ann Arbor yesterday elected Judge Joslyn for City Attorney, in place of Mr. Kinne, who takes Judge Joslyn's place on the bench as Circuit Judge.

Wm. Waldron and wife of Detroit spent New Year's day with Miss Louise Waldron.

Alfred Hardy will enter the High School and expects to graduate this year.

Miss Avonia Damon has been spending several days in Detroit.

Harold Sayles is holding revival meetings at Marshalltown, Iowa.

Miss Gertrude Breed of Ann Arbor was a Ypsilanti visitor this week.

Miss Mattie Wartz has returned from a sojourn at Clifton.

Mrs. J. C. Osborn of Chicago has arrived at the bedside of her father, P. Bucklin.

Mr. Bert Rogers, of the Senate Building room, Washington, is in town.

Prof. Will A. Ellis, Principal of the Bellefontaine school of Detroit spent a portion of his vacation in Ypsilanti.

Miss Kittie M. Stewart of Imlay City and principal of the schools there, is visiting friends in this city.

Miss Helen Bacon of Benton Harbor has been spending a brief time with friends here.

Mrs. Dr. Hopkins and Miss Jennie Shipman were among the delegates from Ypsilanti to the S. S. Convention at Ann Arbor the past week.

### Mere Mention.

The Nalad Queen is repeated again this evening.

Grandpa Bowling is putting aside an extra nice set or two of dress stays, to be used in sixteen years or so. It's a mite of a girl, and she came to Fred Andrews' house on New Year's day.

Rev. J. Venning, pastor of the M. E. church, was presented on Christmas with an elegant copy of Johnson's Natural History. The gift was from members of his church.

Monroe's gas-oil well is fast plugged with tools that cannot be removed, and the company and the contractors are at loggerheads.

We are glad to note that Ainsworth & Co. have repaired the rear part of their building so they are able to resume grinding.

The Ladies' Literary Club will meet next Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock, with Mrs. Sill, on Forest avenue. Subject of the day, "Homer and Hesiod."

Correspondents will please direct all communications designed for the paper to The Ypsilantian.

The New Year caller is a thing of the past. In all of the cities the decline of the custom is noted, and it is equally marked in the smaller towns. In Ypsilanti there was very little calling, and we doubt if one half of the people were in any way reminded of what once was a very prominent feature of New Year's day.

At the regular meeting of the Sons of Temperance, Wednesday evening of last week, the following officers were chosen: J. Soper, W. P.; Jennie Bell, W. A.; Miss Steffy, R. S.; Miss Bassett, A. R. S.; Jay E. Pulver, F. S.; C. Gooding, Chaplain; Leonard Beadle, Cond.; Bessie Pulver, A. C.; Miss McKay, I. S.; J. Falk, O. S.; E. Williams, P. W. P.

Mr. Chas. A. Gardner, the German dialect comedian, appears at the opera house next Monday night as Karl, the Peddler. His songs are encored again and again, said the Brooklyn Times, and the balance of company was excellent.

Pettitions may be found in the stores and at this office, praying Congress not to admit Utah as a state so long as the local civil power remains in the hands of the Mormon priesthood and the people evade or refuse obedience to the laws against polygamy. Every name that can be attached to them before their return to Washington will have a definite value.

Would like to hear from our correspondent at Chelsea.

Wm. Beach, Cross street, had the misfortune to lose a horse by disease, last Tuesday.

Arthur Smith, grocer, is a little modest about advertising ready made houses, but if anyone intends to build a modern Queen Anne, he may learn something by studying his show window.

Prof. Anderson, the wizard, appears at the opera house Friday and Saturday evenings of this week, in his marvelous illusions in which he is pronounced the rightful successor of the world-renowned Heller. The Springfield (O.) Republican says, "Nothing like it was ever seen here before."

Ypsilanti welcomes back the students and teachers of all the schools and recalls the past two weeks, as a dismal interval because of their absence.

The fourth ward bell has learned to use its tongue.

We hoped to receive an epitome of Principal Sill's interesting and pointed paper which he read before the late Teachers' Association at Lansing. We would respectfully commend to the Professor's attention the positive injunction, "Let your light shine."

Ann Arbor is considerably excited over the discovery of the body of a murdered infant, buried in a cellar. It had evidently been buried about three years. None of the Ann Arbor papers say anything about who had occupied the premises. Do they know?

### Glover is a Bear.

Mr. Glover is a bear for the next month—not a cross bear, but one of those that pull down the market. He says the goods are marked down 25 per cent., and what he says is always true. And he says he is going to sell 'em, and there is no doubt about that, either.

### Lost.

At Grange Hall or on the street, Dec. 21, a black and white plaid woolen shawl. The finder will confer a favor by leaving it at this office or at the hall.

Cans of money taken at par for dry goods boots and shoes.

TRIM, MCGREGOR & CO.  
Those in need of carpets should attend Comstock & Co.'s sale.

Bring your Canadian money and exchange for dry goods at rock bottom prices. TRIM, MCGREGOR & CO.

Get your watches and jewelry repaired at E. L. Hough's, Huron St.

Get that child a cloak. We will sell you one cheaper than you can buy the cloth. TRIM, MCGREGOR & CO.

Good unbleached cotton 5 cents. Linen toweling for 5 cents per yard at Comstock's.

Dry goods and shoes were never so cheap as now. Canadian money taken at par.

The largest invoice of solid silver and silver filled hair ornaments in the city at the new jewelry and stationery store, Huron St.

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Women of the better class in Chicago

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**Consternation in the Congregation—  
The Wisdom of the Innocents.**

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"This is a burning shame" said the

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### ELUCAN LINIMENT

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# The Ypsilantian.

THURSDAY, JAN. 5, 1888.

At the state convention of prohibitionists held at Topeka last week, the superior value of constitutional over statutory prohibition was declared, and the entire success of the policy in that state was shown. They held, however, that constant agitation was needed so long as one party in the state failed to declare in its favor. They concluded their resolutions with this significant utterance:

Experience has demonstrated the failure of the third party as a means of advancing the interests of prohibition. The practical effect of this movement is to distract and divide the friends of prohibition, and bring disaster and defeat to our cause. We therefore record our unqualified opposition to this method of agitation.

The question has been raised as to whether it would not pay the farmer to scour his wool before shipping it to the point of consumption, so avoiding freight charges on the waste. The most serious objection to the project contemplated is the fact, that scoured wool deteriorates on being stored. The fibers lose their soft and silky qualities and therefore very little wool is imported except in the grease. The following results of an experiment performed by Consul Schoenhof, and reported by him last August, may be of interest. It gives the loss of weight by scouring, of six grades each of wool native and foreign. Two ounces (875 grains) were used of each grade. No. 1 native corresponds in quality to No. 7 foreign, No. 2, with No. 8, and so on through the list. Numbers from 1 to 6 inclusive, are American wools, from 7 to 12 inclusive are foreign.

No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Wool	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Grease	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Loss	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

It will be seen that American wool loses more than foreign, with the exception of No. 4. Taking No. 1, the loss is about 448 grains on two ounces, and at that rate scouring would save about one half of the freight charges, an item of some importance if scoured wool did not deteriorate in storage.

SOME conception of the magnitude of the traffic that is threatened with suspension by the strike on the Reading railroad may be gained from the statement that the number of coal cars usually passing through Reading on Sunday is from 10,000 to 12,000. That gives, also, some impression of the degree of sacredness attached to the sabbath there. If the men should strike against Sunday work, they would have the sympathy of millions of people all over this country; but they can have no sympathy from the mass of the people in the foolish and inexcusable conflict they have precipitated. They claim no grievance as to wages or hours, but have struck against transporting the freight of a firm that employs non-union labor—attempting to compel the company to violate the and the principle of equity that forbids discrimination between patrons. The strike involves the coal trade and increases the cost of fuel to poor people all over the country, and so is wicked and oppressive; and it increases the cost of fuel to themselves and cuts off their earnings, and so is ten times more wicked in wantonly bringing distress upon their own families in the most inclement season of the year.

SUGAR "TAX" \$50,000,000 ANNUALLY. It may be a good reason for keeping the tariff on sugar, that it is an "infant industry," but the same reason would apply to all other American industries, for sugar is as old as any of them. The difference is, that there seems to be a want of enterprise among the sugar growers—and therefore there has been no growth in that industry for years. In 1861, the product reached the figure, in Louisiana alone, of 459,400 hogsheads, and it has never reached half that figure since. Up to 1854, the highest yield in any one year was 1,220 hogsheads while, in 1854 it dropped to 170,431, and the product of the entire country was only 267 thousand hogsheads, a little over one half the product of Louisiana in 1861. This is a most remarkable showing, especially when we consider that the tariff was 74 per cent. In 1855 we collected over 50 million dollars on this article of prime necessity.

Supposing there are a thousand sugar growers in the country, some say only 1, it would be a "tax" of \$50,000,000 for every one of them. Still, says the Sentinel, because this is an "infant industry," the "tax" must be retained. Now, it may be an "infant industry," but if so, it must be in a state of "second childhood," for it passed the limit of its growth in 1861, and has been in a state of decline ever since. It seems utterly helpless to profit by the tariff. Helpless old age should have a pension (bonus), and the people be relieved of the enormous burden of trying to fill its shrunken veins with new blood, and clothe its old, decaying skeleton with vigorous muscles.

Is it not proper to ask the Sentinel to take another whirl with the question which he claims is "too easy"? Tell us, please, why the President strikes the great wool-growing industry, and leaves this decaying, senile infant to saddle the people with a burden of \$50,000,000 yearly. We suggest that he try "Mason and Dixon's Line."

INDUSTRIAL statistics in the Michigan Almanac for this year show that the salt product of the state in 1887 to have been 4,200,000 barrels—an increase of 700,000 over the previous year, and of over 1,000,000 in three years. The

iron product last year was 4,893,853 tons—an increase of over 800,000 from the previous year, and over 2,000,000 in two years. The copper product was 35,000 tons in 1886—a decrease of 1,000 from the preceding year, and an increase of 6,145 in three years. The railway mileage of the state reached 6,226 miles in the past year—an increase of 700 miles in the year, and 1,000 miles in two years. The progress in these industries since 1860, when the salt manufacture commenced, is interesting enough to preserve in a consolidated table. We give it in five-year periods:

	Salt,	Iron,	Copper,	Rwy's,
	1860-64	1865-69	1870-74	1875-79
1860-64	4,000	114,401	8,094	770
1865-69	47,200	193,758	7,179	931
1870-74	62,132	284,507	12,311	1749
1875-79	81,199	381,199	15,019	3334
1880-84	2,676,688	1,984,224	34,809	2823
1885-89	3,300,000	2,316,190	36,093	2827
1890-94	4,200,000	4,200,000	42,000	4200

In a recent address, Senator Chace of Rhode Island declared for the abolition of the whisky tax, as ineffective in restraint and inconsistent in principle. This is coming to be the position of more and more of the thoughtful men of the country who do not desire the whisky interest to be strengthened by law. It is appearing more and more clearly that the internal revenue tax, instead of proving a burden and a restriction upon that interest, is its chief bulwark of strength, as has been for the past two years argued in these columns. It makes distilling a monopoly most formidable to oppose, and puts into the product four fifths if not nine tenths of its value, and so furnishes the most powerful motive to fight for its preservation; while, instead of restricting the product and its consumption, it has greatly increased under its fostering encouragement. People who talk so glibly about "war taxes" and the iniquity of their continuance, should consider the whisky and tobacco taxes, which are especially war taxes, and the only ones remaining that are really taxes. We would not advocate the repeal of the tobacco tax on the ground urged by Mr. Blaine, that tobacco is a necessity, nor in any sense in the interest of the consumer, but because it produces a superfluous revenue without accomplishing any good purpose, while it has a mischievous tendency in fostering monopoly and discriminating against the poor and weak in favor of the rich and strong. The whisky tax does all that and furnishes the chief element of strength by which the whisky interest is able successfully to withstand the temperance sentiment of the most of our states; and when we say whisky, the term includes beer and spirits alike. The distilling interest is solid in opposition to the repeal or to any reduction of the tax; and that fact alone sustains our position and renders utterly absurd any claim that the tax is a wholesome moral influence. Any partial repeal, as of the tax on domestic wines and fruit brandy, would be a delusive bait. The whole system should go, and the republican party will do a wise thing for itself as well as for the country when it takes that position. The position is inevitable—it is not before further chastening, then after.

THE INDIAN TERRITORY. The Detroit Tribune speaks editorially of the Indian Territory, describing its situation and its people, and concludes with this paragraph: "Here they are right in the pathway to the southwest. What is to be done with them? The whole condition is anomalous. They have no delegate in Congress. They are a large republic—Indian States—almost wholly independent of this country in one sense, while in another largely dependent, as upon the good faith of the United States in observing its treaty stipulations with them and protecting them from the greed and violence of neighboring whites. The Indian is a dependent. Sometimes, and that not very far away, we should be called upon to resist this whole situation in some wise and Christian way. It is high time we were thinking about it."

That is a somewhat singular utterance. They are largely dependent upon the good faith of the United States. True. What sort of dependence is that? How good is the faith of the United States, when dealing with the Indian? What has that good faith guaranteed, in this case? Simply this: that that Territory shall be held inviolate for the use of the Indians forever. How, then, should we be called upon to "readjust" the situation? And what sort of readjustment would be "wise and Christian?"

THE LOCAL OPTION. The full vote in the local option elections is finally reported, and the figures in each of the ten counties compare with those at the amendment election last spring as follows:

	Spring.	Fall.	Gain.	Loss.
Van Buren	5111	1549	3562	853
Leelanau	522	604	82	132
Grand Traverse	1335	515	1180	573
Benzie	689	515	1180	573
Hillsdale	2175	340	1414	401
Branch	424	1891	3692	1120
Hillsdale	1335	1873	538	421
St. Joseph	3090	1893	2795	980
St. Joseph	3321	2159	2905	1860
Total	27,061	13,334	21,627	7733
Majorities	14,067	13,373		

It thus appears that the relative vote for and against prohibition is about the same now as last spring. In the several counties the variation is shown by the following comparison of majorities:

	Spring.	Fall.	Gain.	Loss.
Van Buren	425	33	392	718
Leelanau	425	33	392	718
Grand Traverse	425	33	392	718
Benzie	425	33	392	718
Hillsdale	425	33	392	718
Branch	425	33	392	718
Hillsdale	425	33	392	718
St. Joseph	425	33	392	718
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There is thus a net loss of about 800 in the ten counties, made up of individual losses of from 33 to 718, and gains of from 73 to 528—four counties making average gains of 211, and six counties showing average losses of 275.

GEN. GRANT said, several years ago, in a conversation about the probability of democratic supremacy—"Whenever the democratic party comes near to complete control of the country it will break its back across the Allegheny mountains on the tariff question." It begins to look like it, now.

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We love the pleasant sight that brings them both in view;  
And love the pretty thought that erst our fancy charms,  
The new moon loves the old enfolded in its arms.  
The New Year and the Old together shine to-day,  
The coming and the gone in th' present's gladning ray  
For Memory and Hope with gladsome New must meet,  
To make the circle whole, the round of life complete.  
W. J. C.

Common Council Proceedings.  
MONDAY EVE., Dec. 5, 1887.  
Mayor presiding.  
Roll called. Absent Alds. Norton and Tiers.  
COMMUNICATIONS.  
Communication from Detroit Electric Tower Co., relative to infringement on tower patents, read, accepted and placed on file.  
REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.  
Your Committee on Markets respectfully report that, in accordance with the resolution passed at the last meeting, we have leased for Gilbert's Park, add., for a Wood and Hay Market for a term of 3 years and privilege of 5 at \$60 per year.  
R. D. ROYS,  
S. DENIKE,  
G. A. NEAT.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.  
Ypsilanti Gas Co. Lights, Nov., \$73 40  
A. D. I. Knisely, Police, 12 00  
Jas. F. & M. Co. Tanks, 500 00  
Chas. McConville, Bal. Sal. Supervisor, 55 00  
Lee Yest, Bal. Sal. Supervisor, 50 00  
John Mullon, Care of Engine, 3 mos., 12 36  
C. E. R. Bellows, Surveying, 36 50  
Voted from Contingent Fund.  
Ayes 8. Nays 0.  
S. I. Shaw, Wood, \$75 75  
H. F. Sweeting, Wood, 49 57  
Voted from Contingent Fund.  
Ayes 8. Nays 0.  
MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.  
By Ald. DeNike.  
Resolved, That Nathan Bros. are hereby granted permission to place a set of hay scales in Washington street near property of Mrs. Freeman, lately occupied by A. Bennett & Son.  
Adopted.  
Ald. Boyce moved that the motion to pass bill of G. R. Anderson & Son be reconsidered.  
Ayes 8. Nays 0.  
Ald. Boyce, Kirk, Neat, 3.  
Nays. Goldsmith, DeNike, Roys, Folmhorst, 4.  
Ald. Folmhorst did not vote.  
Resolved, That the City purchase 5 additional electric lamps.  
Adopted.  
Ayes 8. Nays 0.  
On motion of Ald. Folmhorst Council took recess, to examine into the necessity and locations of additional lights, and on being again called to order, Ald. Goldsmith, Norton and Tiers were absent.  
Ald. Kirk moved that resolution of Ald. Boyce relative to purchase of 5 extra lamps be reconsidered.  
Carried.  
Ald. Kirk moved that same be amended by striking out word five, and inserting seven.  
Carried.  
Resolution adopted as amended.  
Ayes 7. Nays 0.  
By Ald. Folmhorst.  
Resolved, That the Committee on street lights are hereby instructed to purchase necessary poles, masts and appurtenances for 4 more lights.  
Adopted.  
Ayes 8. Nays 0.  
On motion Council adjourned to meet Monday evening, Dec. 19, 1887, at 7 o'clock.  
FRANK JOSLYN,  
City Clerk.

REGULAR MEETING.  
MONDAY EVE., Dec. 19, 1887.  
Mayor presiding.  
Roll called. Absent Alds. Roys and Norton.  
PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.  
Petition from Irwin Peck and 42 others asking that the expense of sidewalks adjoining said Peck's land on west side of River street be borne by the city as a public benefit.  
Referred to Com. on Streets and Walks.  
Petition from W. B. Seymour and 15 others asking for an Electric Light at Emmett and Perth streets.  
Referred to Com. on Electric Lights.  
Communication from F. Tooker relative to Electric Light plant.  
Referred to City Atty.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.  
From D. C. Griffin and Frank Joslyn, Justices of the Peace, amount of fine monies collected during Nov.  
Reports accepted and filed.  
CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.  
S. Hutchinson, Police, \$10 00  
G. H. Jackson, 10 00  
W. C. Stevens, Work, Electric L. building 35 52  
Ypsilanti Gas Co., Rent, 12 00  
A. Reynolds & Co., Coal, 31 83  
Hilling Bros., Saus., 25 90  
Frank Joslyn, Recd. Ins., 25 00  
M. Cramer, St. Work, etc., 72 49  
Standard Oil Co., Oil, 136 28  
H. D. Edwards & Co., Supplies, 12 25  
S. T. McIntyre, Rent, 70 00  
Ayes 8. Nays 0.  
Ann Arbor, Work, 1st Ward, \$43 64  
M. Cramer, 4th, 72 18  
Voted from Respective Ward Funds.  
Ayes 8. Nays 0.  
MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.  
Ald. Kirk moved that the Marshall pay laborers for extra work on Electric line each week.  
Carried. Ayes 8. Nays 0.  
By Ald. Goldsmith.  
Resolved, That the Committee on Fire Dept. are hereby instructed to order L. D. Cole to move the frame building recently placed on lot without the permission required from the County, further from the street.  
Carried.  
Ald. Kirk moved that when the Council adjourn it be to meet Tuesday evening, Dec. 27, 1887.  
Carried.  
On motion of Ald. Folmhorst Council adjourned.  
FRANK JOSLYN,  
City Clerk.

REGULAR MEETING.  
MONDAY EVE., Dec. 27, 1887.  
Mayor presiding.  
Roll called. Absent Alds. DeNike, Norton and Tiers.  
REPORTS OF OFFICERS.  
City Attorney reported verbally as to matter of partial payment to Jennings Electric Co. that the bond given by said Co. was not broad enough to cover any damages which might arise from use of towers, etc., and that the City Attorney of said city. There should be a further bond indemnifying the City against the suit now pending, and until the City has not advised any payment on or acceptance of the plant.  
Report accepted.  
REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.  
Committee on Street Lights.  
To the Hon. The Common Council, Gentlemen:  
Your Committee on street lights respectfully report that, in our opinion the Jennings Electric Light Co. have constructed the plant in accordance with the conditions and requirements of their contract, and have filed the required indemnifying bond, and we therefore recommend that said plant be constructed and put up by them be now accepted by this Council.  
BERNARD KIRK,  
E. G. BOYCE,  
J. L. FORSTER.

Report accepted.  
Jennings Electric Co. supplies on increase of line over contract, \$259 30  
H. D. Edwards, rope and block, 15 15  
M. Cramer, labor and supplies, 154 30  
W. F. Parker & Co., coal, 110 92  
Ypsilanti Paper Co., supplies, 82 97  
Voted from Contingent Fund.  
Ayes 7. Nays 0.  
Jennings Electric Co.  
Plant as per contract, \$10,875 00  
Changes in Towers from 75 to 125 ft., 400 00  
Change Heater and pumps, 188 00 \$11,473  
On motion, claim tabled due week.  
Johnson & Co. Groceries, \$9 50  
Voted from Post Fund.  
Ayes 7. Nays 0.  
MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.  
Ald. Kirk.  
Resolved, That the City Attorney draw another bond, to be signed by the Jennings Electric Co. indemnifying the City against the suit now pending brought by the Jennings Electric Tower Co.  
Adopted.  
On motion of Ald. Boyce Council adjourned to meet Tuesday evening, January 3, 1888, at 7 o'clock.  
FRANK JOSLYN,  
City Clerk.

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Jackson	3:15	4:23	8:49	9:15
Ann Arbor	4:33	5:39	9:45	10:25
Ypsilanti	4:50	5:56	10:02	10:40
Detroit	5:15	6:05	10:55	11:02
W. Detroit	5:50	6:35	10:55	11:35
Detroit	6:00	6:45	11:15	11:45
Buffalo	8:35	9:15	2:45	3:50

GOING WEST.

Day	Exp.	Exp.	Exp.	Exp.
Mail	am	pm	pm	pm
Buffalo	1:30	9:10	4:09	9:15
Detroit	7:00	9:10	4:09	9:25
Ypsilanti	7:10	9:20	4:19	9:35
Wayne Jun	7:40	9:53	4:48	9:55
Detroit	7:50	10:12	5:12	10:20
Ann Arbor	8:16	10:25	5:30	10:38
Jackson	9:35	11:25	6:37	10:52
Kalamazoo	11:52	1:50	6:55	1:20
Chicago	5:15	6:40	9:30	7:00

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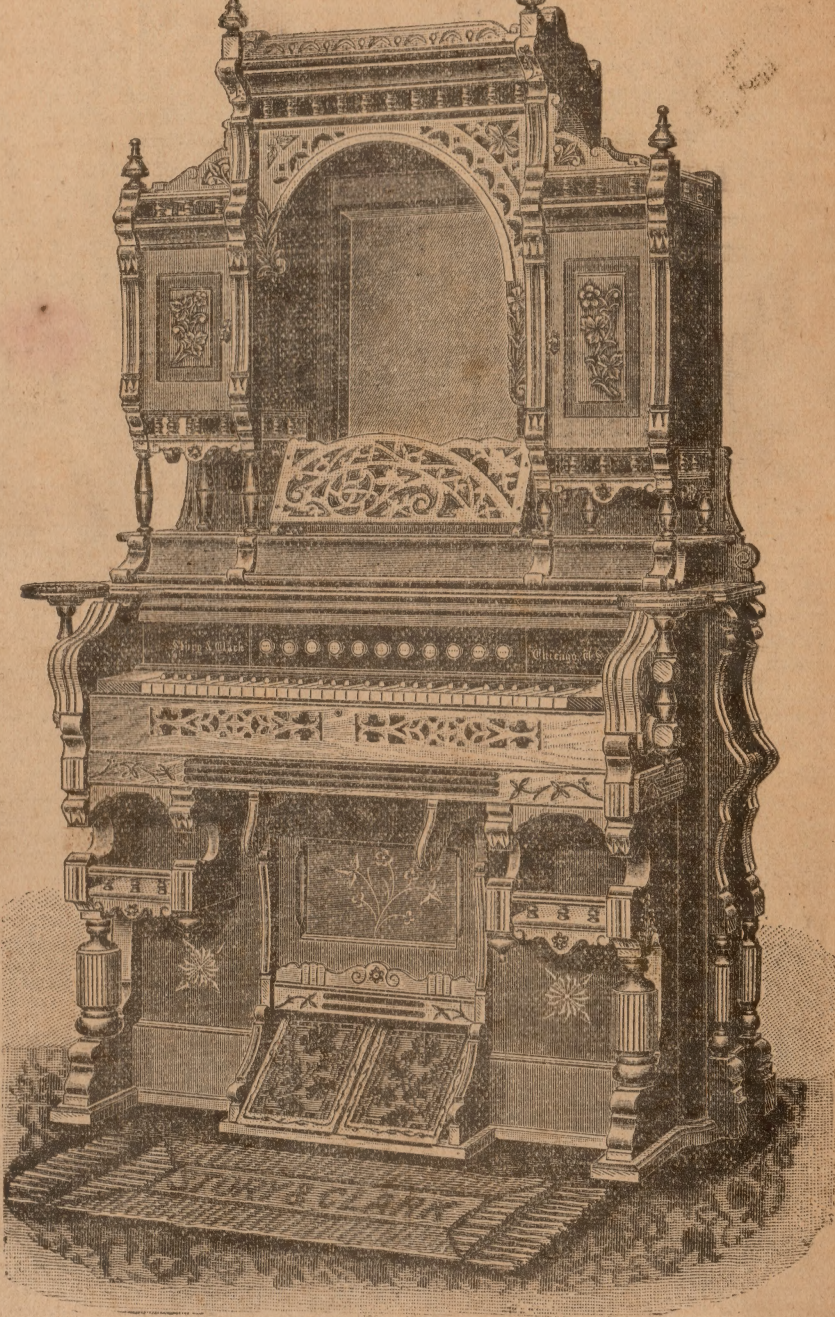
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# THE YPSILANTIAN.

YPSILANTI, MICH.  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1888.

JONES met Smith one evening recently and remarked that he was about to build a house. "Good idea," said Smith; how much money have you?" "About \$3,000." "Three thousand dollars, well, that will build a very neat \$2,000 house with economy." The point of this is visible only to those who have tried house-building.

A GERMAN author, saying that women in some departments of literature have entirely supplanted men, gives as a reason that women are carried away with the current of the day. "In art, as in life, they always follow the latest fashion, are realists to-day, idealists to-morrow, and therefore always sure to appeal to the taste of the moment."

A QUETMAN, Ga., policeman had a strange experience one evening recently. A negro whom he arrested gave him so much trouble that he had to use his club to quiet him. He hit the "arrest" on the head two or three times, when he was startled by the sudden blazing up of the negro's wool. After the novel fire was put out the negro explained that he had been using his hair as a match-safe.

At the Nashville race-course the other day a man stood near a book-making stand undecided how to bet his money. While he was trying to make up his mind as to what to do a red-headed girl suddenly passed by him. He saw her, wheeled around, bet his money on the only gray horse in the race and lost it. This is not the usual way of ending such stories, but the truth must be told once in a while.

DON M. DICKINSON is about 45 years old, is in fine health, and strong in mind and body. He is a lawyer, and at the head of a very prosperous firm in Detroit. There are three or four other partners in the firm, and they are noted in the west for their ability as collectors of bad debts. Fifty thousand dollars is given as the net income of the firm, of which Mr. Dickinson takes \$30,000. He is not only a hard worker, but he finds time for politics and society.

In San Francisco there are four journals regularly published in Chinese characters. These appear weekly, and have a circulation of 2,500 copies. According to the Chinese method a good printer can print four hundred sheets a day. Five days' work are required to get out an addition of one thousand copies. The journals are printed with ink upon single sheets of white paper, except on the Chinese new year, when the printing is done with red ink or upon red paper.

In northern Alaska, says a traveler, the sun shines twenty-two hours out of the twenty-four during midsummer, and on the high mountain peaks for a period of several days in June it is not entirely out of sight during the twenty-four hours. In July and August the weather becomes very warm. After this time the days gradually shorten until the sun shines but four hours out of the twenty-four, but at this period the aurora is exceedingly intense and helps very materially in dispelling the darkness.

A CRANK called on Secretary Lamar last week and demanded a million acres of land in the West to establish a new "Land of Canaan," where the followers of the "Unborn Lamb" could worship in peace far from civilization's ills. He said he was the high priest of the new order. Mr. Lamar informed him that the unreliable Indian is still a feature of the far West, and that the ills of civilization are preferable to the cutting effects of the tomahawk and scalping-knife.

FARMER STALLINGS, of Mineral county, West Virginia, saw a wild turkey run across the road closely pursued by two big eagles, which caught it an instant later. Stallings ran to the birds, and with a club, beat off the eagles and captured the turkey, which was alive, but almost entirely stripped of feathers. The eagles abandoned their prey with great reluctance, and flying a few yards, perched on a tree and watched Mr. Stallings go away with the turkey, evidently debating whether or not to attack him.

The oft-asked question, "Where do men obtain fresh water to slake their thirst?" is probably correctly answered by an old skipper, who says that he has frequently seen those birds far from any land that could furnish water, hovering around and under a storm-cloud, clattering like ducks on a hot day at a pond, and drinking in the drops of rain as they fell. They will swim a rain squall a hundred miles or even farther, and send for it with almost inconceivable swiftness. They can probably go a long time without water.

TOILET articles should now be made of silver to be fashionable. The pin-cushion is set in silver, with enameled, repousse, or etched designs. Sometimes it is set with rough pearls; sometimes it is of antique silver, or silver with raised work in gold. It has an upholstered satin top, and it opens like a box, revealing, in fact, in the double capacity of cushion and jewel-case. It costs from \$12 to \$67. All combs, brushes, and hand-mirrors are set in silver now. One's manicure sets and ologene files and toilet napkins and mysterious all descriptions go in silver cases.

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Latest Intelligence From all Parts of the World.

### EAST.

A statement of the comparative growth of industry and business in the South for the past two years shows remarkable progress. During 1887 the total amount of new capital employed, including the capital stock of incorporated companies, was \$256,298,000 against \$129,226,000 for 1886.

For making offensive boasts about his relations with two married women, George Morehouse was horsewhipped on a public street of Cedar Springs, Michigan, by the two angry women.

The Lathrop memorial building at Albany, New York, erected by Mrs. Leland Stanford as a home for working-women's children, has been dedicated. It cost, with its furniture, \$75,000.

Austin Corbin, president of the Reading Railroad company, has addressed a letter to employees notifying them that the corporation will not submit to dictation from Knights of Labor or other organizations, and that places that are left in obedience to orders of such societies will be filled by new men, who will not be discharged to make room for repentant strikers. The superintendent of the Reading company refused to consult regarding the strike with a committee of the Knights.

Richard H. Barringer died at Troy, New York, from nicotine poisoning, caused by excessive smoking of cigarettes.

The will of Mrs. John Jacob Astor has been filed with the surrogate in New York. It contains large bequests to numerous benevolent institutions, but gives the bulk of the estate to her husband.

Hungarian and Russian miners employed in the iron mines at Hibernia, Morris county, New Jersey, engaged in a race riot Monday, with the result of badly injuring a large number of the men.

Thieves blew open the postoffice safe at Charleston, West Virginia, and carried off \$400 in money and \$1,100 in stamps.

An Ashland, Wis., dispatch says: Wakefield, Mich., a little mining town built entirely of wooden buildings, has followed Hurley and Ironwood in a devastating fire. Over half of the town, including the business portion, was burned late last night. The whole of the main street was swept by the flames. A gang of roughs armed with revolvers pillaged the clothing stores. And whiskey was as free as water. There were dozens of drunken men on the streets, and the store-keepers were at their mercy. The loss was fully \$50,000, and not a bit of insurance.

### WEST AND SOUTH.

At the annual election Monday of the Terre Haute and Indianapolis railroad Henry S. Ives was elected a director, and Julius Dexter representing the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton interest, was defeated.

Five Indian scouts of General Miles' command, who mutilated last June and fled to the mountains, have been sentenced by court-martial to varying terms of imprisonment with hard labor at Fort Leavenworth.

An Indiana judge has decided that telephone companies are compelled to put in instruments for private use at the statutory rental of \$8 per month.

Kansas has developed a kuklux band in the shape of a party who undertook to drive a settler from his claim, and now find themselves under indictment in the United States district court, and in danger of going to prison.

In the City of Mexico, early yesterday morning, a sharp shock of earthquake was felt.

The people of Racine, Wisconsin, are troubled over the discovery that all the general ordinances of their city are null and void because they were signed by the president of the council and acting mayor instead of the mayor himself. A recent Supreme Court decision seems to point this way, and much confusion is feared.

A movement has been organized in North Carolina for securing a repeal of the tax on tobacco and a delegation will be sent to Washington for that purpose.

A band of vigilantes pursued and overtook William Herrig, who murdered his wife and her lover at St. Francis, Arkansas, Thursday. They found him late at night sleeping under a tree and hanged him on one of the limbs of the tree.

Two policemen of Evansville, Indiana, being off duty Thursday night, were indulging themselves in what they called a sort of lark, and were seen coming out of a residence at a late hour by Officer Zeigler. They started to run as he hailed them, and in the belief that they were burglars he fired upon them, killing Officer Smock.

For the first time in the history of that section, a man froze to death last Tuesday near Austin, Texas.

An elevator at Ada, Minnesota, containing 30,000 bushels of wheat was burned. Loss, \$25,000.

John Crosby, a leading miller of Minneapolis and president of the Miller's National association, is dead.

John Dooley, while delirious from fever, wandered away from home in Chicago and was found frozen to death in the morning.

Louisville is suffering from a coal famine. The railroads can not supply the demand, and the river is falling and freezing. A number of manufactories have shut down, and much suffering is anticipated for the poor.

Mexico has granted a concession to a steamship line to ply between New York, New Orleans, Vera Cruz, and all Mexican ports, with a subsidy of \$11,000 the round trip.

The dry-house in connection with the C. C. Thompson & Walker company's planing-mills, Chicago, were destroyed by fire. Loss, \$40,000; partly covered by insurance.

It is semi-officially announced that the Chicago extension of the Atchison road will not be open for business much before March 1.

Rev. D. P. Bunn, one of the oldest Universalist preachers in Illinois, died at Decatur.

John J. Littleton, the Nashville, Tenn., editor who was shot December 24 by Joseph R. Banks has died. He was secre-

tary and treasurer of the republican state executive committee, and vice president from Tennessee of the National Republican club.

The Iowa traveling men paraded at Davenport Wednesday. The procession was two miles long. The mercury was 12 degrees below zero, yet the brave drummers marched in straw hats and linen dusters.

The Illinois board of railroad and warehouse commissioners have ordered a reduction in freight rates on agricultural implements ranging from 10 to 20 per cent.

George Mills, aged 18, was fatally shot by John Sweeney, aged 17, at Louisville, Ky. Sweeney has disappeared.

The Duluth and Union national banks of Duluth, Minnesota, have consolidated. The new bank will have a paid up capital of \$1,000,000.

Chicago's Christmas gift has been in the shape of natural gas. If it proves permanent it settles the question of cheap fuel.

The firm of Merserau Bros. & Davis, at Peoria, has failed. They were the largest dry-goods' merchants in the city.

A cow at Atchison, Kan., which had been bitten by a mad-dog a few days ago, became furiously mad, and breaking out of her yard ran down the street. A Mrs. Hollister, who was in her path, was attacked and gored so badly that she died.

John Grimshaw, the brave man who resisted the attack of a band of robbers on his express car at Stringtown, on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad, has received from the Pacific Express company a letter of thanks and a check for \$500. His assistant on that occasion, Baggage-master Sparrow, has been presented with \$250.

A drug clerk at Austin, Texas, who had embezzled \$800, took strychnine, and died in fifteen minutes.

The high school building at Fergus Falls, Minnesota, burned. Loss, \$40,000; insurance, \$16,000.

### WASHINGTON NOTES.

Some of the business men of Washington express concern as to the results of the passage by Congress of the bill prohibiting the manufacture or sale of liquor in the District of Columbia. Should the bill become a law, they think the wholesale grocery business of Washington would go to Baltimore.

Congressman Moffatt was the third member of the fiftieth Congress who yielded to the grim reaper. Robertson of Louisiana, was the first; then Kane, of New York; then Moffatt. The average number of deaths in a Congress is about eight or nine. The largest number that any one Congress has had is thirteen. That was in the forty-fourth Congress, when such men as Andrew Johnson, Michael Kerr, Caperton, of Virginia, Parsons, of Kentucky, and others were numbered in the list. The last Congress, the forty-ninth, was next in its bereavement, for it lost twelve men, including Vice President Hendricks, who as presiding officer of the Senate may properly be classed in this list. There have been but two Congresses, the second and fourth, in which there have not been some deaths. The number of Congressmen who have died "in harness" since the first Congress was selected under the Constitution is 273.

The January interest on government bonds amounts to \$8, 414,000.

Mr. Lawton has been confirmed by the Senate as Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States to Austria, and has his commission from the President in his pocket. He has yet to face the tribunal which knocked out Mr. Felley.

The death of Ex-Secretary Manning has had something of a quieting effect upon the social world. The Cabinet people, as well as the President, have felt the blow quite seriously, and there has been a marked cessation in the gaieties of the season. Of course the fall will be only temporary, however, and when the season shall have been formally opened by the President's reception, the fun will go on.

Senator Stanford has a dangerous rival in the way of horse ownership and horse admiration. Senator Stockbridge, of Michigan, a reputed millionaire, is as much of a lover of horses as Senator Stanford, and has some very fine ones.

General Horatio King, of New York, would be glad to be Judge Advocate General of the army. His friends admit it and they believe that the President would be willing to give him the place if he had the place to give. The present anomalous condition of that office is pretty well known. The titular Judge Advocate General of the army is D. G. Swaim. But General Swaim is undergoing the sentence of a court martial which prevents him from exercising the duties of Judge Advocate General at present.

It is whispered that a vigorous effort is being made to get the Pacific Railway Commissioners to revise their reports and agree upon something for a unanimous recommendation. The indications, however, are not favorable to the success of the effort.

The Supervising Architect of the Treasury has informed Senator Sawyer that the contracts for laying the foundation of the new public buildings at Oshkosh will be let some time during the present month.

The general land office has issued 5,179 patents during the present month, which is a large increase over the record for December of last year.

### POLITICAL POINTS.

The sixty-eighth general assembly of Ohio convened yesterday. The Republican majority in the house elected E. L. Lamon speaker, while in the Senate the disaffected Republican element combined with the Democrats in defeating six of the regular Republican caucus nominations. Governor Foraker's annual message was read in both houses. In it he says that strong ground against the low tariff policy advocated by President Cleveland in his recent message to Congress.

Major J. M. Wright, of Louisville, Kentucky, has been appointed marshal of the United States Supreme Court, to succeed Col. J. G. Nicolay, who retires in order to devote himself to literary work.

### FOREIGN ITEMS.

The freedom of the city of Limerick has been conferred upon Mr. Sullivan the ex-lord mayor of Dublin.

It is said that Mr. Gladstone's visit to Rome will have for its object the carrying on of negotiations with the Vatican for its support in the efforts of the English liberals to secure home rule for Ireland.

Rumania is increasing her military equipment, and can enter the field with 300,000 men if necessary.

Threats of death in case they do any work for the police or for boycotted persons have frightened the blacksmiths of Kildystart, Ireland, and they refuse to work for the parties under the ban.

Hatred of the Jews is unabated in Russia. The recommendation of the Imperial Commission to permit Jews to dwell in any village of Russia has been rejected by the government.

Sarah Bernhardt's son Maurice has married Princess Virginia Clotilde Jablonowski, a descendant of Lucien-Bonaparte.

The captain and first mate of the British bark Embleton are charged with such cruelty on the voyage from San Francisco to Sunderland that three of the crew, to escape it, jumped overboard.

Gladstone was received by the President of the French republic in Paris Thursday.

There is trouble in the Sarvian government, and the ministry has resigned.

An American prima donna, Miss Ella Russell, of Cleveland, has made a successful appearance in opera at Warsaw, the capital of Poland.

It is reported from England that Lord Frederick Stanley has accepted the Governor Generalship of Canada.

Paris offerings already received for the papal jubilee amount to \$200,000.

### THE NEW SUPREME COURT MARSHAL.

Maj. Wright of Louisville Succeeds Col. Nicolay.

Maj. J. M. Wright, of Louisville, Ky., has been appointed Marshal of the United States Supreme Court in place of Col. J. G. Nicolay, who has held that position about fifteen years.

[Maj. Wright, whose appointment will take effect January next, is the son of Gen. George Wright, U. S. A., who commanded the Department of the Pacific during the war, and who was lost on the steamer *Albatross* on his way to Oregon in 1855 while going from San Francisco to Oregon. He has a large army connection, and was himself at West Point at the beginning of the war. In 1861 he resigned his cadetship to accept an appointment as Assistant Adjutant General of volunteers on the staff of Maj. Gen. D. C. Buell. He accompanied Gen. Buell to the West and served there on his staff throughout his campaigns. After the war he settled in Louisville and began the practice of law. He served four years as a member of the Kentucky Legislature and four years as Adjutant General of that State. He was subsequently President and General Manager of the Southern Exposition, which President Arthur formally opened in Louisville in 1883. As superintendent he organized the Louisville Board of Trade, and served for some time as its manager. He has been for a number of years an almost constant contributor to the newspaper press, and for nearly three years was a regular editorial writer on the Louisville Courier-Journal.

### Brides who Perch in Trees.

Among the Lolos of Western China it is customary for the bride on the wedding morning to perch herself on the highest branch of a large tree, while the elder female members of her family cluster on the lower limbs, armed with sticks. When all are duly stationed the bridegroom clambers up the tree, assailed on all sides by blows, pushes, and pinches from the dowagers, and it is not until he has broken through their fence and captured the bride that he is allowed to carry her off. Similar difficulties assail the bridegroom among the Mongolian Koraks, who are in the habit of celebrating their marriages in large tents, divided into numerous separate but communicating compartments. At a given signal, as soon as the guests are assembled, the bride starts off through the compartments, followed by her mother, while the women of the encampment throw every possible impediment in her way, tripping up his unwary feet, holding down the curtains to prevent his passage, and applying willow and alder switches unmercifully as he stoops to raise them. As with the maiden on the horse and the virgin on the tree-top, the Korak bride is invariably captured, however much the possibilities of escape may be in her favor.—*Blackwood's Magazine*.

A. P. Foss saw a live chicken floating and struggling in the canal at South Hook, N. H., and pulled it out. Attached to its leg was a pickered weight over two pounds, which had grabbed the chicken's leg in such a way that it could not let go.

There is no place where the ups and downs of life occur more rapidly than in Washington, and as a result the pawnbrokers of the capital are all wealthy. The house occupied by Secretary Vilas was built by a pawnbroker.

### THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO.	
BEVERS-Extra.....	5.50 @ 6.00
Choice to Fancy.....	4.75 @ 5.25
Fair to Good.....	3.25 @ 3.50
Poor to Medium.....	2.50 @ 3.00
Fancy Cows and Heifers.....	2.75 @ 3.00
Fair Cows.....	2.25 @ 2.50
MLCH Cows-per head.....	2.00 @ 2.50
Hogs-Range.....	4.25 @ 4.50
SWINE-Bacon.....	8.00 @ 8.50
WHEAT-No. 2 Spring.....	75.50 @ 76.00
CORN-No. 2.....	35.00 @ 35.50
BARLEY.....	32.00 @ 32.50
POATINGS-per bushel.....	7.00 @ 7.25
POLYHLY-Choice, per bushel.....	3.50 @ 3.75
Ducks.....	.08 @ .09
Turkeys.....	.08 @ .09
Butter-Choice Creamery.....	.22 @ .23
Fine Dairy.....	.22 @ .23
Low Grades.....	.21 @ .22
CHEESE-All Grades.....	10.00 @ 11.25
Oil Grades.....	.05 @ .06
Eggs-Fresh, per doz.....	19.00 @ 20.25
ST. LOUIS.	
BEVERS-Choice Natives.....	4.25 @ 4.75
HOGS.....	5.10 @ 5.50
WHEAT-No. 2, Red.....	73.00 @ 73.50
WHEAT-No. 2, Red.....	73.00 @ 73.50
OATS.....	30.00 @ 30.50
MILWAUKEE.	
WHEAT-No. 2, Red.....	70.00 @ 70.50
CORN.....	37.00 @ 37.50
OATS.....	31.00 @ 31.50
TOLEDO.	
WHEAT-No. 2, Red.....	74.00 @ 74.50
CORN-No. 2.....	35.00 @ 35.50
OATS.....	32.00 @ 32.50
DETROIT.	
WHEAT-No. 2, Red.....	73.00 @ 73.50
CORN.....	35.00 @ 35.50
OATS.....	32.00 @ 32.50
KANSAS CITY.	
BEVERS-Choice Natives.....	3.25 @ 3.50
STEEPS Grass Range.....	1.80 @ 2.00
WHEAT-No. 2, Soft.....	70.00 @ 70.50
CORN-No. 2.....	45.00 @ 45.50
OATS-No. 2.....	29.00 @ 29.50

## MICHIGAN.

Condensed Reports of the Late News From all Parts of the State.

—Mrs. Anna Hyde, a widow worth \$100,000, was married at Coldwater, to Chris Clark, a bartender of Teksha.

—Captain Barnard Vosburg, veteran of the late war, and a leading agriculturalist and horseman, died in Comstock.

—Miss Sadie Cadieux, an inmate of the Insane Asylum, at Pontiac, committed suicide by throwing herself down an elevator shaft.

—George W. Brown, a wealthy citizen of Schoolcraft, was found Tuesday morning in his barn with his throat cut and a razor clamped in his hand.

—D. Fleming, aged 29, a brakeman on the Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad, fell under the cars near Harrison and was instantly killed. He leaves a wife and two children.

—Miss Helen M. Smith, for ten years an assistant in the Postoffice at Jackson, was appointed by the bondsmen of the late Major Van Antwerp to take full charge of the office.

—Daniel Fulton, of Corunne, the murderer of his wife and attempted murder of farmer Holmes, was sentenced to State Prison for life. Fulton received his sentence unmoved.

—Fred Warner, aged 19, of Grand Haven, is in prison at Grand Rapids. Recently he donned petticoats, and obtained employment as a nurse-girl, but the arrival of a new servant wrecked his scheme.

—A site has been chosen at Detroit for a prisoners' home, and efforts will be made to establish a place where discharged convicts can find a refuge. Agnes L. D. Arrombal of Kalamazoo is pushing the matter.

—John Akins, a well-known citizen of Cassopolis, disappeared last Friday. A piece of gun was found near the lake shore and suspicions are entertained that he was murdered and his body sunk in the water.

—Major W. W. Van Antwerp, postmaster of Jackson, Com commander of Edward Pomeroy Post, G. A. R., a Knight Templar, and associate editor of the *Jackson Patriot*, died Wednesday morning of cancer of the liver.

At Big Rapids P. A. Erickson's Hotel and new frame block, Lindbloom Bros.' grocery store, Olson's dry goods store, Row's meat market, and T. C. Hunt's residence were destroyed by fire. The losses will reach nearly \$20,000, insured for \$3,000.

—Mrs. Andrew Hoover left her home at Pokagon for a short time leaving her 11-months-old babe in charge of its mother, who was only 4 or 5 years old. When she returned she found the house in flames, and the baby was fatally burned. The kerosene oil-can was found tipped over near the stove.

—The monthly earnings statement of Michigan railroads for October was issued from the office of the Commissioner of Railroads. Total earnings are given as, \$7,596,526; increase over same period last year, \$55,544; total earnings from January to Nov. 1, \$65,583,838; increase over same period last year, \$8,189,620, or 14.2-10 per cent.

—Last September, at Port Huron, John S. Plummer and his wife celebrated their golden wedding. Tuesday, Mrs. Plummer began suit for divorce, alleging gross cruelty at divers times on the part of her spouse, who she states, beat her in a brutal manner after the guests had departed on the night of their golden wedding anniversary.

—Jonathan S. Pierce of Detroit, Treasurer of the Michigan Commercial Travelers' Association, recently told the directors of the association that there was a shortage in his accounts. The deficit was fixed at \$115. Mr. Pierce was unable to tell where the money had gone. His bondsmen paid the shortage and took Pierce's furniture as security. Pierce has removed to Cincinnati.

—The partner of the woman arrested in Detroit for living in her possession thirty-nine one thousand-dollar United States bonds, has been identified as Isidore Comfeld, the well-known turfman and feather dealer who failed at New York recently and then disappeared. Comfeld is staying at a hotel in Windsor, Ont., under the name of Hoffman.

—The merino sheep breeders have closed their annual session at Lansing. A resolution was adopted declaring that tariff reduction on wool would annihilate the industry, and urging its opposition by Michigan Congressmen. Officers elected: President, John T. Rich, Elba; Secretary, E. N. Ball, Hamburg; Treasurer, H. Evert Smith, Ypsilanti. Papers were read upon sheep shearing and sheep feeding.

—Phillip Janke was a farmer of Ecorse. He died in 1883, and Edward Lange circulated stories to the effect that Janke had been poisoned by his wife. The widow brought suit against Lange for slander and the case is now on trial in the Wayne Circuit Court. Lange asserted in court that he will not take back anything he said; on the contrary, he says he is going to prove that Mrs. Janke did poison her husband.

—The Farmers' Bank of Concord was operated upon by a gang of safe blowers. The vault and safe were blown with dynamite, but the noise caused by the wrecking of the safe and the approach of day forced the thieves to abandon the job before the cash box, which contained currency, could be cracked. Valuable papers were carried off. The thieves were traced to Jackson, where they left a rig, but there is no further clew to them.

—Joseph Hickson, General Manager of the Grand Trunk Railroad; James Stephenson and Charles Stiff, Superintendents of Divisions of that road; W. W. Crapo, President of the Flint & Pere Marquette; J. B. Mulligan, General Manager of the Detroit, Lansing & Northern and the Chicago & West Michigan held a secret meeting at Detroit. A well-informed railroad man says the conference is to arrange the preliminaries about building a line union depot for the roads named. The Flint & Pere Marquette road now runs its trains into the Michigan Central. The relations are not cordial between the two lines, and the Flint people have long urged the Grand Trunk to put up a depot which would accommodate all the lines centering here except the Central and Wabash.

## FARM TALKS.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

The season has come for the annual meetings of the county and local agricultural societies. The results of the Fall shows are examined, books balanced, and the societies reorganized and plans made for another year. It is useless to deny the fact that many poor societies of this class make a very poor showing at the end of the year. They are staggering under debts and struggling for existence. Some are almost smothered with "life members."

On this point I will enlarge at another time. Is not this a good time for members to be active whether members for the year only or for life, to rally deliberate on the subject, and do what is possible towards setting things right? It is not a suitable time to raise the question whether, on the whole, it "pays" to make balloon ascensions, bicycle races, "Wild West" performances, side shows and games of chance the prominent features of the annual show, or so large a share of time and money devoted to "trials of speed?" The only plea I have ever heard an excuse for such perversion of the use purpose of the agricultural show was that "attractions" are necessary to bring out the crowds; and then, with the sale of abominable "privileges," secure the money which the society must have or die. In most cases, I say, better let it die! But I don't believe it is necessary to resort to such questionable methods to sustain, well, at least one good, clean agricultural show in almost every county. Crowds may be brought out thereby, but if so, they are pretty sure to be of the wrong kind. It is a notable fact, and one much to be regretted, that in many cases we no longer see at the county show, as in years past, such numbers of farmers with their wives and children, and the best people of the villages, whole families together.

Neither do we see such numbers of domestic animals, farm products and specimens of household industry and mechanical skill as of old. There are encouraging exceptions, it is true, but they are not numerous enough. When these bright examples are looked into it will generally be found that the societies are fortunate in having farmers who are truly active members in the majority, and controlling the policy and management.







